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SUBJECT: DEP SEC VISIT TO PAPUA NEW GUINEA

REF: A - CANBERRA 773

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1. APPRECIATE REF A, WHICH HAS AIDED CONSIDERABLY IN
PREPARATION FOR PORT MORESBY.

2. IN CONNECTION WITH PARA 7 REF A, DEPARTMENT HAS SO FAR
NOT REPEAT NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONNECT USG TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
AND MADANG FISH PROCESSING FACTORY INVOLVING STARKIST.
SUGGEST THAT THIS IS SUITABLE TOPIC FOR MORE LEISURELY
EXPLORATION AFTER OUR PORT MORESBY POST IS ESTABLISHED.
BRIEFING MATERIALS FOR DEP SEC WILL NOT REPEAT NOT CONTAIN
MENTION OF THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT.

3. REFERENCE PARA 6 REF A, WE DO NOT REPEAT NOT ANTICI-
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PATE SEPARATE STATEMENT BY DEP SEC IN PORT MORESBY, AND

LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWING TEXT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE BEING PREPARED BY CONROY.

4. IF CONSIDERED DESIRABLE BY CONROY, WE HAVE NO REPEAT NO OBJECTION TO INCLUDING INFORMATION ON CU PROGRAM ANTICIPATED FOR PNG. FOR FY 1974, DEPARTMENT IS ALLOCATING ONE STUDENT GRANT AND TWO INTERNATIONAL VISITOR (LEADER)

GRANTS FOR PNG. FOR FY 1975, IT IS PLANNED TO EXPAND THE PROGRAM TO TWO STUDENT GRANTS AND FOUR INTERNATIONAL VISITOR GRANTS. ANOTHER SUBJECT OF INTEREST TO EDUCATION MINISTER OLEWALE DURING HIS DECEMBER VISIT TO WASHINGTON WAS STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM. WE HAVE NO FUNDS TO DIRECTLY SUPPORT SUCH EXCHANGES, BUT DEPARTMENT IS PREPARED TO INFORMALLY ENCOURAGE ARRANGEMENT DIRECT EXCHANGES BETWEEN PNG AND THE UNIVERSITIES OF GUAM AND HAWAII, AND POSSIBLY TECHNICAL SCHOOLS IN MICRONESIA.

5. ON SUBJECT OF ASSISTANCE, GENERAL APPROACH OF DEP SEC DURING VISIT WILL BE THAT CAPITAL ASSISTANCE NOT LIKELY IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE, BUT THAT LIMITED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE MAY BE POSSIBLE, AND WILL BE SUITABLE AREA OF CONCERN FOR OUR POST ONCE IT IS ESTABLISHED IN PORT MORESBY.

6. ON ONE SUBJECT, HOWEVER, DEP SEC WILL BE ABLE TO BE MORE SPECIFIC, AND WE BELIEVE THAT YOU SHOULD MAKE SPECIAL EFFORT TO BRING THIS TO ATTENTION OF AUSTRALIANS, AS WE ARE DOING WITH AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY HERE. PEACE CORPS IS INTERESTED IN TEACHER SHORTAGES DISCUSSED PARA 7 REF A, AND IS EAGER TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING PROGRAM IN PNG. WE ANTICIPATE DEP SEC WILL SUGGEST VISIT BY PC PERSONNEL TO EXAMINE FEASIBILITY OF A TEACHING PROGRAM. WE DO NOT KNOW HOW GOA GENERALLY LOOKS AT PROSPECT OF PC IN PNG, BUT KNOW THAT IT IS SOMEWHAT SENSITIVE SUBJECT AMONG EMBASSY PERSONNEL HERE. APPARENTLY, THERE ARE MISGIVINGS BASED ON SOME PROBLEMS WHICH AROSE IN THE EARLY YEARS OF THE MICRONESIAN PC PROGRAM. MOST OF THESE PROBLEMS INVOLVED CONFLICTS BETWEEN VOLUNTEERS AND US ADMINISTRATION, A SITUATION NOT PARALLELED ANYWHERE ELSE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN WORLD. BY AND LARGE THESE PROBLEMS NO LONGER EXIST IN MICRONESIA. IF THESE DOUBTS ARE EXPRESSED IN CANBERRA, SUGGEST THAT YOU POINT OUT VERY DIFFERENT POLITICAL SITUATIONS IN MICRONESIA AND IN PNG, AND THAT PEACE CORPS HAS SERVED IN MULTITUDE OF UNDERDEVELOPED FOREIGN COUNTRIES WITHOUT CREATING POLITICAL PROBLEMS, INCLUDING FIJI, TONGA, WESTERN SOMA, AND BSIP. USG WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO INSURE THAT THIS RECORD MAIN-

TAINED IN THE CASE OF PNG WHICH WOULD, OF COURSE, BE ABLE
OBTAIN REMOVAL OF ANY VOLUNTEER ENGAGING IN UNDESIREABLE
ACTIVITIES.

7. SMALL INTERNATIONAL LAW AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS REFERENCE
LIBRARY WILL BE PRESENTED TO PNG DEPT. FOREIGN RELATIONS
AND TRADE BY DEP SEC ON BEHALF DEPT. OF STATE. ASSUME -
FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER MAORI KIKI WILL ACCEPT ON BEHALF

HIS DEPT. OWING PROCUREMENT PROBLEMS, ONLY PORTION
LIBRARY WILL ACCOMPANY DEP SEC TO PORT MORESBY, WITH
REST TO BE SHIPPED IN VERY NEAR FUTURE. REQUEST
SCENARIO ON LIBRARY TURNOVER SOONEST. ALSO, ARRANGEMENTS
SHOULD BE IN HAND FOR DIRECT TRANSFER OF BOOKS FROM AIR-
CRAFT TO TURNOVER POINT ON ASSUMPTION TURNOVER CEREMONY
WILL TAKE PLACE WITHIN HOURS OF DEP SEC'S ARRIVAL PORT
MORESBY. WILL PROVIDE LATER MORE DETAILS ON BOOKS.

8. REGARDING YOUR QUESTIONS PARA 3, REF A, ADVANCE MAN
WILL DISCUSS SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS PORT MORESBY UPON
ARRIVAL CANBERRA. COMMUNICATIONS NOT REPEAT NOT NECESSARY
FOR DEP SEC AT RESIDENCE.

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